

*Minutes*  
*Of The*  
*One Hundred Seventy-Fourth*  
*Annual Session*  
*Of The*

ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK  
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST  
ASSOCIATION

*Hosted By*  
LIBERTY HILL  
CHURCH

Stanly County, North Carolina

September 15, 16, 17

**2006**

Officers

Elder Rom Kerley ..... Moderator  
Brother Joe Hatley ..... Clerk  
Brother Tim Herrin ..... Assistant Clerk

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**Proceedings**  
**Of The 174<sup>th</sup> Annual Session Of The Original Bear Creek**  
**Primitive Baptist Association**

**Friday, September 15, 2006**

The association convened at the Agri-Civic Center in Albemarle, NC, hosted by Liberty Hill Primitive Baptist Church. The congregation engaged in songs of praise after which Elder Larry Austin led in prayer and Elder Rom Kerley, pastor of Liberty Hill Church, preached the introductory sermon using II Peter 1:20-21 as a text, "Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost". The morning service was closed with prayer by Elder Joe Helms.

After a break for refreshments and fellowship, the association opened with prayer by Elder Charles Smith and convened for business. Elder Rom Kerley served as Moderator, Brother Reece Eury filled in for Brother Joe Hatley as clerk and Brother Tim Herrin served as assistant clerk.

1. Extended invitation to all orderly Primitive Baptist who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us.
2. Called for letters of representation from sister churches whose messengers were announced by the assistant clerk and their status noted.

**PLEASANT GROVE:** Brethren John Cameron, Jimmy Helms, Bill Simpson, R.W. Knight alt.

**UNION GROVE:** Brethren Ken Austin, Barry Helms, Allen Helms, John Little alternate.

**BEAR CREEK:** Brethren Jimmy Dunn, Leonard Furr, Tom Robinson, Curtis Furr alternate.

**MOUNTAIN CREEK:** Brethren Gary Earnhardt, Lynn Huneycutt, Lane Vanhoy, Sherrill Vanhoy alt.

**LAWYER'S SPRING:** Brethren Joseph Helms, Ronnie Edwards, Truby High, Albert Stegall alt.

**CROOKED CREEK:** Brethren James Little, Richard Broadway, Tommy Hinson, Tim Simpson alt.

**HIGH POINT:** Brethren Hal Bouldin, Ted Myers, Edward Willard, Keith Hix alternate.

**MEADOW CREEK:** Brethern Andrew Herrin, Melvin Green, Jimmy Herrin, Gene Herrin alt.

**PLEASANT HILL:** Brethren Barry Cole, Nathan Gillispie, Scott Cole, Doug Copple alternate.

**HIGH HILL:** Brethren Don Broome, Kevin Chaney, Donald Edwards, Marion Byrum alternate.

**PARKVIEW:** Brethren Rives Craven, Barry Sawyers, Tom Powell, Mike Lester alternate.

**LIBERTY HILL:** Represented by entire membership.

**BETHEL:** Brethren Edward Pressley, Cecil Suggs, Douglas McLamb, Danny Babson alternate.

**CORINTH:** Brethren Jim Briscoe, Mark Bumgardner, Kenneth Putnam, Jennings Hough alt.

**HERRIN'S GROVE:** Members of church body present.

**MILLS CHAPEL:** Brethren Johnny Efird, Warren Griffin, Randy Williams, Rom Kerley alt.

**NEW HOPE:** Brethren C. R. Smith, Edsel Thomas.

3. Called for petitionary letters. None.

4. The Moderator was authorized to appoint committees on preaching and finance and appointed the following:

**PREACHING COMMITTEE:** Elders Joe Helms, E. W. Hooven, Brethren Lane Vanhoy, Dennis Pressley, Jimmy Helms, Jimmy Dunn, Grayson Auman

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Elder Newell Helms, Brethren Ken Austin, Kevin Chaney, John Brooks, Ronnie Edwards, Johnny Efird, Richard Broadway

5. Called for presbytery reports:

In compliance with a request for ordained help to assist in the ordination of Brother Cecil Suggs to the office of deacon, the following formed a presbytery at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church on Friday, March 24, 2006:

**ELDERS:** Branan Hooven, Larry Austin, Jared Smith, E. W. Hooven, and Newell Helms.

**DEACONS:** Mason Anderson, Douglas McLamb, Edward Pressley, Richard Broadway, Dennis Pressley, Don Broome, Mike Crooke, Eldridge Furr, Tim Herrin, Scott Bullard, Steve Bullard, Ken Austin, and C. W. Helms.

6. Called for visitors from corresponding associations to seats with us and welcomed the following:

**ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA:** Elder David Brooks, Elder Tony Parker, Elder Fred Williams, Brother Donald Parker, Sister Gail Parker, Brother Tracy Parker, Sister Amanda Parker, Brother Eddie Mize, Sister Joan Mize, Brother Kenneth Stephenson, Brother Charles Helms, Sister Marie Swiles, Sister Brenda Johnson.

**ORIGINAL TOWALIGA:** No correspondence.

**LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA:** No correspondence.

**TENNESSEE and NOLACHUCKY:** Minutes.

**ORIGINAL POWELL'S VALLEY:** Brother Dewey Hembree, Sister Lily Hembree.

**MT. ZION OF ALABAMA:** Elder Mitchell Phillips, Sister Gwen Phillips.

**SOUTH ARKANSAS:** Minutes.

7. Invited visitors from associations and churches with whom we do not have direct correspondence and gladly received the following:

**FISHING RIVER ASSOCIATION OF MISSOURI:** Elder Russell Key, Brother Stephen Crowley.

**COMMUNITY CHURCH (NC):** Brother O'Bain Hylton, Sister Linda Hylton, Sister Virginia Hylton.

**FLAT CREEK CHURCH (NC):** Elder Gene Hogan, Sister Jean Hogan, Brother Wayne Gravely, Sister Ann Gravely.

**EBENEZER FELLOWSHIP (GA):** Elder Spencer R. Fussell, Sister Barbara Fussell.

**ORIGINAL UPPER CANOOCHEE ASSOCIATION (GA):** Elder Tommy Roundtree.

**NORTH VIEW CHURCH:** Elder Milton Gunter, Sister Betty Gunter.

**CAT CREEK P. B. CHURCH, VALDOSTA, GA:** Elder Bob Dickerson.

**NO CREEK CHURCH (NC):** Brother Lester Snider, Sister Merlyn Snider, Brother Eddie Fowler, Sister Beth Fowler, Sister Jana Fowler, Sister Elizabeth Fowler.

**AFTON ROAD CHURCH (VA):** Elder Dan Parker.

**LOTTS CREEK ASSOCIATION (AL):** Sister Amanda Stewart.

**SILVER CREEK ASSOCIATION (NC):** Sister Justine James, Sister Ruby Gaddy.

**PINE CHURCH (NC):** Letter and contribution.

**MOUNTAIN DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION (NC):** Elder Curtis Hash, Sister Wanda Hash.

**SENER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION (NC):** Minutes.

**ABBOTT'S CREEK CHURCH (NC):** Elder Steven Nichols, Sister Sara Nichols.

8. Appointed messengers to visit corresponding associations as follows: (It is understood that any member of our association may represent us at any association.)

**LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA,** (4th weekend, Sept.): Elder Rom Kerley, Elder David Anderson, Elder W. M. Benton, Brethren Barry Cole, Kim Honeycutt, Reece Eury, Truby High.

**ORIGINAL TOWALIGA**, (1st weekend, Sept.): Minutes.

**LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA**, (3rd weekend, Aug.): Minutes.

**TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY**, (2nd weekend, Sept.): Elder Joe Helms,  
Brother Tom Vanhoy.

**ORIGINAL POWELL'S VALLEY**, (3rd weekend, Aug.): Elder Larry Austin.

**MT. ZION OF ALABAMA**, ( 2nd weekend, Sept.): Brethren Reece Eury,  
Reggie Medlin.

**SOUTH ARKANSAS**, (3rd weekend, Sept.): Minutes.

9. Unanimously agreed to continue correspondence with all associations with whom we now correspond.
10. Elder Charles Smith was appointed to write the corresponding letter to be approved at our Saturday meeting.
11. Unanimously agreed to adjourn until Saturday at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting continuing at the Agri-Civic Center. The business meeting was closed with prayer by Elder W. M. Benton.

### **Saturday, September 16, 2006**

The association met according to adjournment at 9:30 a.m. at the Agri-Civic Center. After prayer by Brother Ken Austin, the business continued as follows:

12. We acknowledged visitors who had arrived since the Friday session and listed their names under items six and seven.
13. Called for the report of the finance committee:

Received from the churches .....	\$8,655.00
Received from friends .....	\$ 421.00
Total receipts .....	\$9,076.00
14. Unanimously agreed to distribute minutes from other associations as usual.
15. Called for the corresponding letter which was read and approved and the clerk was instructed to include it in the minutes.
16. Extended invitation for the churches of the association to request 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday meetings and granted the following:

December, 2006 .....	Mills Chapel
April, 2007 .....	Bear Creek
July, 2007 .....	Bethel
September, 2007 .....	Mountain Creek

17. Unanimously agreed by move, second and vote to hold the next session of the association with Pleasant Grove Church beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 2007 and that the pastor of that church preach the introductory sermon. All three days will be held at the Agri-Civic Center in Albemarle, NC.
18. Unanimously agreed to have 1500 copies of the minutes printed and that the clerk superintend same.
19. Unanimously agreed to distribute all funds above that required in item 18 to the ministers present and any other expenses the finance committee may deem expedient.
20. Unanimously agreed to give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His mercy and loving kindness and to the members and friends of Liberty Hill Church for their unselfish labors during this meeting. We also wish to thank the staff of the Agri-Civic Center for their kind assistance.

Elder Rom Kerley, moderator  
 Brother Joe Hatley, clerk  
 Brother Tim Herrin, assistant clerk

### FINANCIAL REPORT

**RECEIPTS:**

Received from the churches .....	\$8,655.00
Received from friends .....	\$421.00
Total Receipts .....	\$9,076.00

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Printing minutes and other clerk's expenses .....	\$740.00
Agri-Civic Center Rent .....	\$750.00
Meals, Etc. ....	\$991.00
Ministers .....	\$6,595.00
Total disbursements .....	\$9,076.00

### Clerk's Note

Please forgive us for any errors and omissions that we have made in these minutes.

## *Corresponding Letter*

*We welcome all who have come to visit with us in this, the 174th annual session of the Original Bear Creek Association. We send greetings to all of our corresponding associations and sister Churches.*

*We are experiencing some trying and difficult times, both in our Nation, and in our Churches. The number of people who are hungering for true spiritual food is small indeed. The many appeals of this world and the dominance of false religions has brought decline in many of our Churches. We have to pray and read God's word continually so that we won't become discouraged.*

*Sometimes we are tempted to walk in "New Paths" so that we may have more prosperity and larger numbers in our Churches. This is a grave mistake and will only bring heartache and division to our people. Only when God wills to send fire from heaven, as he did on Mt. Carmel in Elijah's day, will we experience a true spiritual awakening. I hope and pray that he will see fit to do that.*

*In Christian Bonds,  
Elder Charles Smith*



## *In Memoriam*

*Precious to us are the memories of those who have passed this life since our last meeting. We sorrow with their families and we anticipate that day when we will all meet again.*

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|                         |                                                                                               |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Bear Creek Church:      | Anne Belle Almond                                                                             |
| Bethel Church:          | Deacon Charles Gore<br>Siser Christine Gibson                                                 |
| Corinth Church:         | Sister Inez Bradford                                                                          |
| Crooked Creek Church:   | Siser Blake Witcher<br>Sister Ruther Rushing                                                  |
| High Point Church:      | Sister Ruby Duggins                                                                           |
| Lawyer's Spring Church: | Sister Vera Hasty                                                                             |
| Liberty Hill Church:    | Sister Selma Bowers                                                                           |
| Meadow Creek Church:    | Sister Bronnie Tucker                                                                         |
| Mills Chapel Church:    | Brother Reid Blevins                                                                          |
| Mountain Creek Church:  | Sister Gladys Huneycutt<br>Brother Raymond Burris                                             |
| Parkview Church:        | Sister Cassie Smith<br>Brother David Lemons                                                   |
| Pleasant Grove Church:  | Sister Katie Tucker<br>Sister Irene Stegall                                                   |
| Union Grove Church:     | Sister Ruth Mills<br>Brother Boyce Clontz<br>Brother Eugene Honeycutt<br>Sister Lorena Farley |

| CHURCHES        | PASTORS                |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Pleasant Grove  | Elder Joe C. Helms     |
| Union Grove     | Elder Newell Helms     |
| Bear Creek      | Elder Rommie Williams  |
| Mountain Creek  | Elder Joe C. Helms     |
| Lawyer's Spring | Elder Joe C. Helms     |
| Crooked Creek   | Elder Larry Austin     |
| High Point      | Elder Steven Nichols   |
| Meadow Creek    | Elder Jared Smith      |
| Pleasant Hill   | Elder Richard Kirby    |
| High Hill       | Elder Newell Helms     |
| Parkview        | Elder E. W. Hooven     |
| Liberty Hill    | Elder Rom Kerley       |
| Bethel          | Elder Branan Hooven    |
| Corinth         | Elder Rommie Williams  |
| Herrin's Grove  | Elder Charles Broadway |
| Mills Chapel    | Elder Rom Kerley       |
| New Hope        | Elder David Anderson   |
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<sup>1</sup> Friday night before

<sup>2</sup> Also, Sat night before 3rd Sun. in April

<sup>3</sup> Saturday night before

**TABLE**

|            | Communion Sundays     | Rec'd. by baptism | Rec'd. by relation | Rec'd. by letter | Restored | Dismissed by Letter | Excluded | Deceased | Total membership | Contributions |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|----------|------------------|---------------|
|            | 2nd Jul               |                   |                    | 1                |          |                     |          | 2        | 36               | \$500         |
|            | 2nd Aug               | 1                 |                    |                  |          |                     |          | 4        | 125              | \$800         |
|            | 2nd Aug               |                   |                    |                  |          |                     |          | 1        | 22               | \$450         |
|            | 3rd Jul               | 1                 |                    |                  |          |                     |          | 2        | 56               | \$750         |
|            | 1st Aug               |                   |                    |                  |          |                     |          | 1        | 36               | \$400         |
|            | 4th Jul <sup>1</sup>  | 1                 |                    |                  |          |                     | 2        | 2        | 34               | \$500         |
|            | 4th May               |                   |                    |                  |          |                     |          | 1        | 41               | \$450         |
|            | 3rd Jun               | 3                 |                    | 1                |          |                     | 1        | 1        | 45               | \$700         |
|            | 3rd Jun               |                   |                    | 2                |          | 1                   |          |          | 43               | \$500         |
|            | 1st Sept <sup>2</sup> |                   |                    |                  |          |                     |          |          | 72               | \$600         |
|            | 3rd May               |                   | 1                  |                  |          | 2                   |          | 2        | 94               | \$650         |
|            | 1st Jul               |                   |                    |                  |          |                     |          | 1        | 58               | \$655         |
|            | 4th Jun               | 2                 |                    |                  | 1        |                     | 1        | 2        | 79               | \$500         |
|            | 1st May               |                   |                    |                  |          |                     |          | 1        | 13               | \$300         |
|            | 4th Jun <sup>3</sup>  |                   |                    |                  |          |                     |          |          | 21               | \$250         |
|            | 2nd Jun               |                   |                    |                  |          |                     | 1        | 1        | 31               | \$450         |
|            | 4th Aug               |                   |                    |                  |          |                     |          |          | 4                | \$200         |
| <b>ALS</b> |                       | 8                 | 1                  | 4                | 1        | 3                   | 5        | 21       | 810              | \$8,655       |

# Order of Service

**Friday morning:**     Prayer: Elder Larry Austin

**Introductory Sermon: Elder Rom Kerley**

II Peter 1:20-21 "no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." Titus 3:8 "This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men."

Prayer: Elder Joe Helms

**Friday afternoon:**   Prayer: Brother Lane Vanhoy

**Elder Tommy Roundtree**

Psalms 104:33 "I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being."

**Elder Milton Gunter**

Hebrews 7:19 "For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did; by the which we draw nigh unto God."

Prayer: Elder Rommie Williams

**Friday night:**       Prayer: Elder E. W. Hooven

**Elder Bob Dickerson**

Luke 10:1-18 "And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven."

Prayer: Elder Rommie Williams

**Saturday morning:**   Prayer: Elder W. M. Benton

**Elder Spencer Fussell**

left  
fallen,  
Rev. 2:1-7 "I have somewhat against thee, because thou has thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art and repent, and do the first works"

**Elder Dan Parker**

Luke 7:1 "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."

**Elder Curtis Hash**

John 3:3 "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Prayer: Elder Newell Helms

**Elder Russell Key**

II Corinthians 11 "For I am jealous over you with a godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ."

Hosea 2:18-19 "And I will betroth thee unto me for ever"

**Elder Fred Williams**

John 11 "Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep."

**Elder Tony Parker**

Matthew 7:1-5 "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgement ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again."

**Elder David Brooks**

Mark 5:2 "And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit."

Prayer: Elder Richard Kirby

**Saturday night:**

Prayer: Elder E. W. Hooven

**Elder Mitchell Phillips**

Rev. 3:13-22 "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth"

Prayer: Larry Austin

**Sunday morning:**

Prayer: Elder Mitchell Phillips

**Elder Bob Dickerson**

Hebrews 8:6 "But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises."

**Elder Russell Key**

Romans 8:28-39 "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Prayer: Brother Eddie Fowler



## HOME MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS

### Elders:

|                                                                       |                |
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| Charles L. Smith, 3912 Faith Church Road, Indian Trail, NC 28079 .    | (704) 882-4217 |
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## VISITING MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS

### Elders:

|                                                                     |                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
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| Tony Parker, 1050 U.S. 701 South, Four Oaks, NC 27524 .....         | (919) 934-8511 |
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### Licentiate:

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
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# CHURCH MEETING TIMES

- Bear Creek:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. night before; 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. night, Pastor.
- Bethel:** Each Sunday morning 10:30am and Wed. evening at 7:00pm, Pastor.
- Corinth:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. morning, Pastor; 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning, Elder Floyd Stack.
- Crooked Creek:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning, Elder Charles Smith; 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. morning and Wed. night before, Pastor.
- Herrin's Grove:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. morning, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning; 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. night before, Pastor.
- High Hill:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. morning, Pastor; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. morning, Elder Austin. Wed. night after the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun (conference), Wed. night after the 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. Communion Sat. night before 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. in April and 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. in Sept.
- High Point:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning; 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. before at 1:30pm, Pastor.
- Lawyer's Spring:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. afternoon at 3pm before, Pastor, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. morning, Elder Williams.
- Liberty Hill:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. night before, Pastor; 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning, Elder Austin.
- Meadow Creek:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. mornings, Pastor. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. night 6:00pm, visiting Elders or Pastor.
- Mills Chapel:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. night before; 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. morning, Pastor.
- Mountain Creek:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. night before, Pastor; 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. morning, Elder Williams.
- New Hope:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning, Pastor; 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. morning Elder David Brooks.
- Park View:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. mornings, and Sat. night before the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun., Pastor. 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. morning, Elder Tim Witten.
- Pleasant Grove:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. night before, Pastor; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. morning, Elder Kerley.
- Pleasant Hill:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. morning; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. night before 6:30pm, Pastor.
- Union Grove:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. morning and Sat. night before, Pastor; 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. morning, Elder E. W. Hooven.

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### **Bear Creek:**

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### **Pleasant Hill:**

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### **Union Grove:**

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# *Articles of Faith*

- Article 1. We believe in one living and true God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.
- Article 2. We believe in the man Jesus being the first of all God's creation and the pattern of all God's perfection in nature, grace and glory, and in relative union with the Divine Word, and thus united with the whole Trinity.
- Article 3. We believe that the scripture of the King James Version of the Old and New Testaments contain the only written, revealed word of God and the perfect rule of faith and practice for God's Church in her militant state while here on earth.
- Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose His Church in Christ Jesus before the world began.
- Article 5. We believe in all mankind's apostasy by transgression in Adam, the federal head.
- Article 6. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.
- Article 7. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from his fallen state by his own free will and ability.
- Article 8. We believe that sinners are justified freely by grace and before God by faith in Christ and His righteousness only.
- Article 9. We believe that God's elect or Church shall be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit in due time.
- Article 10. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never really fall away.
- Article 11. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ's appointment, and that believers alone are the subject of baptism and the only proper communicants of the Supper; that the mode of baptism is immersion, and that neither of the ordinances is to be altered or changed by the inventions or opinions of men. We believe in feet washing as taught by our Savior in St. John 13:4-17.
- Article 12. We believe that no man, as a minister, has any right to the administration of any of the ordinances of the gospel except such as are sound in the faith of the gospel, regularly baptized, called of God and have come under the imposition of hands by a regular presbytery.
- Article 13. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust, and the general judgement.
- Article 14. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

## **RULES GOVERNING THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

1. We understand that at whatever church this association is being held, it is under the authority of the hostess church, as any other regular or monthly conference meeting, in which the church invites the ministers and messengers of the sister churches to seats, and take part with them.
2. The officers of that church shall be the officers of the association, provided the pastor is a member of the association, and if not, the church shall elect any member of the association to preside as moderator. The church may request the help of any member of another sister church to assist in the business transactions of the association.
3. This association shall have no authority to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature except it has been passed upon by the local churches composing this association; then the work of the churches shall be recognized by the association.
4. Any member who endeavors to bring in or inject a disciplinary question that involves fellowship before it has been passed upon by the local churches shall be considered out of order by the church with which the association is being held, and by the messengers present from the sister churches.
5. The association shall be conducted for the purpose of associating together in song, prayer, and preaching service. The finance committee shall disburse the funds on hand as the association shall so direct. The body may receive corresponding messengers and visitors from sister associations and may appoint messengers and visitors to keep up a correspondence with sister associations. No other business shall be transacted by the association except that which is necessary to set forth the status of each church composing this association in the form of a minute.

## LOCATION OF CHURCHES

- Bear Creek:** On 22182 Canton Road just west of Millingport Road, approximately 6 miles west of Albemarle, NC.
- Bethel:** On 1010 Hickman Rd. NW. Four miles northwest of Calabash, NC, 1/4 mile north of Hickman's Crossroads.
- Corinth:** South Sims Street, Kings Mountain, NC, 3 blocks off Highway 74.
- Crooked Creek:** Just off Highway 218, 4 miles east of Highway 601, approximately 10 miles north of Monroe, NC.
- Herrin's Grove:** Four miles southeast of Mt. Pleasant, NC, 2 miles south of Hwy. 73 just off Bridge Road on Herrin's Grove Church Road.
- High Hill:** 2225 Concord Ave, Monroe, NC (Between Hwy. 74 and Hwy. 601).
- High Point:** 209 Rock Springs Rd., 1 block off the 1500 block of North Main Street, High Point, NC.
- Lawyer's Spring:** Just south of Hwy. 74 at the underpass in Peachland, NC.
- Liberty Hill:** Ten miles west of Albemarle, NC on Hwy 27 near Red Cross.
- Meadow Creek:** 1493 Meadow Creek Church Rd., Locust, NC (between Hwy 27 W. and Hwy 200 N.)
- Mills Chapel:** On China Grove Road just off Lane Street between I-85 and Highway 601/29 in Kannapolis, NC.
- Mountain Creek:** Five miles north of Albemarle, NC on Mountain Creek Church Road.
- New Hope:** Nine miles east of Columbia, SC just off Highway 262 on Leesburg Road.
- Parkview:** 3209 Ridgewood Rd., 4 miles south of Highway 311 in Winston-Salem, NC.
- Pleasant Grove:** 3.5 miles north of Marshville, NC approximately 1 mile west of Highway 205 on Lawyers Road.
- Pleasant Hill:** Ten miles south of Asheboro, NC. From Interstate 73/74 take New Hope Church Rd. exit (exit 49) and go 3 miles.
- Union Grove:** 3613 Morgan Mill Road (Hwy. 200) approximately 4 miles north of Monroe, NC.

